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# H&H Committee Late October Meeting Details

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# MEETING TIME AGAIN!

1. Minutes. Approval

2. Black Nation/Queen Nation Conference East Spring - video produced ~~JAN 96~~ perhaps: Get video & show at conference. Should be ready JAN 96 for public distribution

The next meeting of the

Committee to Eliminate Homophobia and Heterosexism

will be held:

**Friday October 27**  
**12:00 Noon**  
**Room 202, Memorial Union**

## AGENDA\*

1. Joan Nestle to visit in February 20, '96? Has Ballroom been reserved? Are there other items we need to attend to now? *Ballroom is reserved how many - 200 new members. Don't meet in publicly subcommittee, Main Read vlt & help to Rubbeate*
2. SYMPOSIUM '96, April 10-12.  
 -- Do we have a place for her lecture lined up yet? *Ethics Center John Grandin*  
 -- Other details? *ask Cheryl Foster weekly Theater a great ball*  
*Gary on WSTL Bob West Karen Stein - India History Mont*
3. Rough draft of URI GLBA/H&H resource brochure for the campus? Comments, suggestions, additions, etc. *Rough draft next time*
4. Remember the Pot Luck party tonight at Lois' place at 6:00 pm *hang on John Grandin*
5. Further discussion on other H&H projects for the semester. suggested so far:  
 (a) -- producing video on diversity  
 -- creating a video resource library  
 -- Flyer on activities related to H&H in November. → ask Andrew  
 Do we want to prioritize, form subcommittees, brainstorm some more, etc?

### 6. Other business?

*Videos - maybe do a screen night*



- (a) *Film from Rutgers, Sub*  
*New Videos, Committees video for us to review & give ideas.*  
*Meetings: Nov 8, PM 12-2A, noon, main union*  
*Will check on showing a meeting, depending on how long it is*  
*May be think about 2 Videos (URI 101 + under community) And fortunately: URI 101, Resch Office, Faculty Senate Pres Office*
- (b) *Will this be in the library? Could name collection and own this*  
*Main Read will check out the possibility of this*

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*sent copy to Rose*

*social, 4:30-6:00, v club*

of the business

NAAZ Lesbian + Gay Health Conference

NAAZ Health Association

Gary Burkholder  
Dept. of Psychology  
Chafee Hall

Safe Zone stickers: Bill

Any Inquiries: Dee Bill

Geoff's Incident in Doms: "Fark Paggab"

→ Greased by members of Residence Hall immediately

Campus Police + Affirmative Action

Should publicize what the procedures are? (Put in Brochure)

Is in Bulletin? No. Harassment subcommittee don't exist

Item of business for next Aff. Action Committee Meeting

Once reported, what happens next?

Quota - Check UNH

Nancy - will check w/ Alliance for GL rights

**Minutes for Meeting of the Committee to Eliminate Homophobia and Heterosexism**  
**October 27, 1995**

1. Attendance: Marie Rudd; Nacy Azar; Laurie Johnson; Holly Nichols; Amy Black; Wally Sillanpoa; Dana Shugar; Bob Foss; Jacque lynne Washkwich; Greta Cohen; Gary Burkholder; Crescent Maaz; Carla Pickering; Kelly Kochis; Jean Walton. Dana Shugar was acting chair for the committee, as Bill was out of town.
2. Minutes from the October 13 meeting were approved with no changes.
3. Ballroom has been reserved for Joan Nestle visit (Feb. 20). At the next meeting, Dana will be meeting with the Nestle publicity subcommittee to begin campaign. Marie Rudd volunteered to join that subcommittee.
4. Symposium update. The room has not yet been identified, Wally will call the Theatre department this week to try to arrange for one of their auditoriums. Mailing is in progress. Some further suggestions for campus co-sponsorship are: English (Karen Stein), History (Mort Briggs), and Language (John Grandin) Departments, Ethics Center (Cheryl Foster). It was suggested to send a copy of the call for papers to Rosie to distribute on a variety of gay/lesbian/bisexual/transgender discussion and news lists. Holly reported that it will be going on the WST-L. Andrew secured free printing (via printing services) and mailing to all faculty and staff (campus post office).
5. The brochure rough draft is not ready. It will be provided at the next meeting for people to take and review. Laurie provided the health services statement.
6. Reminder to all about the potluck at Lois' home at 6:00pm this evening.
7. Diversity video subcommittee: Jacque reported that the subcommittee has met. They have a video from Rutgers that they would like to have everyone preview as a means of brainstorming ideas for our own video. Jacque will find out how long the video is and whether it can be shown in a meeting of this committee. Nancy added that it would be nice to have a "preview social" in which several short videos dealing with diversity could be viewed. It was suggested that we might think about producing two videos - one for URI101, and one for the wider URI campus audience. Jacque will contact the Research office, Faculty Senate, the President's office, and URI101 for possible funding. The next subcommittee meeting is Nov 8, Memorial Union, Room 128A, and noon.
8. Creating a video resource library: Marie Rudd will check on the possibility of establishing our own collection in the library.
9. Flyer for November events. Kelly is waiting for input on what is happening during the month. Andrew will be contacted for more information on status of working with GLBA on collecting the information.
10. Gary suggested that everyone think about how they conceptualize the Faculty, Staff and Graduate Student GLBA group. Andrew has recommended that a small subcommittee of interested members be identified at the next social who will discuss organizational issues and bring them to the larger group. The next social is November 10, 4:30-6:00pm, in the university club.
11. Laurie distributed some information on a Gay and Lesbian Health Conference, and the National Lesbian and Gay Health Association. Anyone interested in reviewing the brochures can contact Gary.

The safe zone stickers and H&H committee brochures are located in the Affirmative Action Office - see [redacted] for location. Bill Bartels also has several of each for those who want or need them.

Dana made a report about a student who witnessed an anti-gay graffiti campaign in one of the dorms. The student did not know what to do. The lack of a clear policy to report anti-gay harassment was discussed by the committee at length. Dana stated that this would be an agenda item for the first Affirmative Action Committee (it has not met yet this year). Greta is going to check with a contact at UNH for information on how their harassment policy works. Nancy is going to contact the RI Alliance for Lesbian and Gay Civil Rights for information.

14. The meeting adjourned at 12:50pm. The next meeting of the committee is November 10, 1995.

Attendance

10/22/95

Mae Rudd - LIBRARY -

Nancy Azar

Danice

Heidi Michael

Amy Black

WALLY SICCANORA

Dana Shugan

Bob Ross - 216 Carlotti

Jaqueline Lynne Waskewicz

Lynda Cohen

Barry Burkhardt

Crescent Mazz

Carla Rushing

Kelly Locking

Jan Watson

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SPRING: THREE MAJOR CLAGS CONFERENCES

# Black Nations/Queer Nations?



FAR LEFT, SHARI FRILLOT, DIRECTOR OF THE BN/QN? VIDEO DOCUMENTARY; AT PODIUM, JACQUI ALEXANDER, CO-ORGANIZER OF THE CONFERENCE



TOSHI REAGON

SAMUEL R. DELANY COCO FUSCO



THE LAVENDER LIGHT GOSPEL CHOIR

In March 1995, a historic three day conference, "Black Nations/Queer Nations?," took place at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York. The conference brought together over 500 people to analyze the political, economic and social environment in which communities of the African Diaspora have not only survived, but continue to fight for the right and dignity to live, work and love as lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered people.

Notwithstanding the gains achieved by the lesbian/gay movement, these communities continue to be threatened by daunting challenges: homophobia, sexism, racism, poverty, physical violence, unemployment and exploitative working conditions. Moreover, these communities are being disproportionately ravaged by HIV/AIDS, cancer, and the lack of accessibility to health care. These threats are made more horrific by the growing power of the New Right (globally and in the United States), xenophobia, and ethnocentrism, as well as the resurgence of many reactionary forms of nationalism. The "BN/QN?" conference confronted these challenging issues and shared organizing strategies in more than 30 workshops, plenaries and political mobilization discussions over a period of three days.

"Black Nations/Queer Nations?" has now organized itself as an ongoing working group with three primary goals: First, to begin building bridges within and across different Black "queer?" communities in the African diaspora, and with communities and peoples

committed to the struggle for social justice. Second, to develop and solidify networks among lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered people of African descent. Third, to build a regional/national political structure that will allow activists from across the country to communicate and work together around national and international issues, while at the same time providing regional coordination and solidarity around more local struggles.

"Black Nations/Queer Nations?," a video documentary produced and directed by Shari Frilot about the groundbreaking conference, will have its world premiere as the closing night presentation of MIX 9th New York Lesbian & Gay Experimental Film/Video Festival. The screening will take place at Anthology Film Archives on November 12, 1995 at 8 pm. Tickets are \$10 with a discussion and closing night reception to follow.

The videotape, and an accompanying pamphlet, will be ready for distribution in January 1996. Special arrangements will be made with community organizations around the world to screen the work on a grassroots level.

The "Black Nations/Queer Nations?" video project has been made possible by a generous grant from the Ford Foundation – the first lesbian and gay project ever funded by the Ford Foundation.

For more information on the ongoing work of "BN/QN?" call voice mail at 212.330.8322 and provide the following information: Name, address, city, state, country, telephone, fax and e-mail numbers